

# **Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana**

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## **Comprehensive Community Plan**

**County: Cass**

**LCC: Partners for a Drug Free Cass County**

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## Plan Summary

**Mission Statement:** The mission statement of the Cass County Local Coordinating Council is to identify, coordinate and facilitate the use of services and available funds in meeting the county's needs of prevention, treatment, and law enforcement of alcohol and drug abuse in Cass County.

**History:** Laura O'Neil of the Governor's Commission first met with five representatives of Cass County in September of 1989, to establish a core for the Local Coordinating Council. Two subsequent meetings held at the Addiction Care Center in Logansport outlined the Governor's Plan for a Drug-Free Indiana and the task for the Local Coordinating Council for the year to come. The monthly meeting site was rotated around the county with initial meetings bi-weekly before setting on a regular monthly meeting time of the second Monday of each month at noon, held at the City Building, Council Chambers.

The initial task was recruiting members and gathering statistics to assess our needs in the areas of Prevention/ Education, Treatment, and Justice. The council grew quickly to sixteen members, who assessed the available services in the county that addressed those needs. Although, the needs were defined and the priorities established, it was immediately recognized that this would be an ongoing process of continual evaluation.

The Cass County LCC membership has remained the same with a decrease in regular attendance by its members. The Council uses media support and public events such as the 4-H fair to increase community awareness and involvement. Also, LCC members continue to be available to make presentations in an effort to bring greater public awareness on ways to understand, intervene, and prevent the abuse of alcohol and other drugs.

The LCC has established a tradition and continues a Red Ribbon Breakfast in October of each year. The council also sponsors a poster contest for all schools in Cass County. The winners of the poster contest are awarded at the breakfast.

The planning process for the Cass County Comprehensive Plan consisted of core members brainstorming and pulling together the composites of current community events and conditions that were impacting each area of involvement.

The Cass County LCC will continue to visit the Comprehensive Community Plan on a quarterly basis to assess what has been accomplished and what still needs to be implemented or modified. At the same time, the funded programs will have a representative to present their reports of utilization of LCC funds to the council on an annual basis. Failure to comply with the funding requirements will result in future funding being withheld.

All these efforts are used to create a better community for all families in Cass County.

**Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:** The Partners for a Drug Free Cass County is concentrating on three areas of need in this Comprehensive Community Plan Update.

1. Cass County continues to have a problem with use, misuse and abuse of alcohol.  
Goal: To decrease the amount of arrests by 5% in the next three years.

2. Cass County continues to have a problem with use of marijuana.  
Goal: Reduce the amount of use by 1% and increase awareness.

### Membership List

**County LCC Name: Partners for a Drug Free Cass County**

#	Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
1	Michelle Balderas	Tyson Fresh Meats	H	F	Prevention
2	Kathy Coffing	Four County Counseling Center	C	F	Treatment
3	Cathi Collins	Logansport Police Dept	C	F	Law Enforcement
4	Rick Hollering	Youth Service Alliance	C	M	Prevention
5	Kathy Newport	Purdue Extension	C	F	Prevention
6	Randy Pryor	Cass Co. Sheriff's Department	C	M	Law Enforcement
7	Lana Skelton	Snyder Counseling/CCADCP	C	F	Prevention/Treatment
8	Steven Snyder	Snyder Counseling/CCADCP	C	M	Prevention/Treatment
9	Chaston Smithers	Excise Police	C	M	Law Enforcement
10	Sanford Swanson	Excise Police	B	M	Law Enforcement
11	Vicki Ward	Parks Dept.	C	F	Prevention
12	Dave Wegner	Cass/ Pulaski Community Corrections	C	M	Law Enforcement

## Problem Identification

**A. Problem Statement #1:** Cass County continues to have a problem with use, misuse and abuse of alcohol.

**B. Supportive Data:**

1. 42.43% of the population that participated in a local survey admitted that alcohol was the biggest problem in our county.
2. 39.37% of the population that participated in a local survey admitted that they have experimented with alcohol before the age of 21; however 38.97% of those surveyed did not answer this area of question. (The rest of the questions either denied any experimentation before age 21 or are reporting themselves as non drinkers.)
3. 76.15% of 2011 cases were directly related to alcohol; according to Snyder Counseling / CCADCP (this number includes juvenile participants)
4. 47.7% of 2011 cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to treatment, indicating alcohol abuse and/ or dependence.
5. 34.55% of 2011 cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to a substance abuse education program, indicating alcohol misuse.
6. 68.82% of 2011 cases seen by Four County Counseling Center indicate alcohol use, misuse and abuse (this number includes juvenile participants). However this number may be overlapped by the CCADCP statistics due to CCADCP is a referring facility to Four County Counseling Center.
7. 348 alcohol related arrests were made by the Logansport Police Department (LPD) from Sept 2011- Sept 2012. 32.75% of those arrests were adolescents.

### End of Year 1 Update: (2013)

1. 33.06% of the population that participated in a local survey admitted that alcohol was the second largest community perceived problem in Cass County. (Coming right behind Meth by 1%)  
**(Note: there was a drop by 68% in survey participation)**
2. 9% of the population that participated in the local survey admitted they know of kids in grades 5-8 using alcohol. 23% admitted to knowing or allowing underage drinking under adult supervision. 9% of participants did not answer this question.  
**(Note: survey question change)**
3. 63.8% of 2012 cases were directly related to alcohol; according to Snyder Counseling / CCADCP (this number includes juvenile participants). Thus, showing a 12% decrease from 2011.
4. 51.8% of 2012 cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to treatment, indicating alcohol abuse and/ or dependence. Thus, showing a 4% rise in referral
5. 32.4% of 2012 cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to a substance abuse education program, indicating alcohol misuse. Thus, showing a 9% decrease.
6. 81.4% of cases seen by Four County Counseling Center (Sept 2012- Sept 2013) indicate alcohol use, misuse and abuse (this number includes juvenile participants). However this number may be overlapped by the CCADCP statistics due to CCADCP is a referring facility to Four County Counseling Center.

7. 296 alcohol related arrests were made by the Logansport Police Department (LPD) from Sept 2012- Sept 2013. 27.7% of those arrests were adolescents. Thus, showing an 8.5% decrease.

### End of Year 2 Update: (2014)

1. 22.92% of the population that participated in a local survey admitted that alcohol was the second largest community perceived problem in Cass County. (Second to Meth and Marijuana in the third most perceived community problem.)
2. 16.67% of the population that participated in the local survey admitted they know of kids in grades 5-8 using alcohol. Showing an awareness at a 7.67% difference from the previous year. 24.17% admitted to knowing or allowing underage drinking under adult supervision. Showing an awareness of 1.17% difference from the previous year. 1.25% of participants did not answer this question; showing progress in those answering all survey questions.
3. 65.81% of 2013 cases were directly related to alcohol; according to Snyder Counseling/CCADCP (including juvenile participants). Showing an increase greater than 2% from the previous year.
4. 56% of 2013 cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to treatment, indicating alcohol abuse and/ or dependence. Thus, showing another 4.2% rise in referral
5. 30.55% of 2013 cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to a substance abuse education program, indicating alcohol misuse. Showing a 1.85%% decrease.
6. 77.2% of cases seen by Four County Counseling Center (Sept 2013- Sept 2014) indicate alcohol use, misuse and abuse (this number includes juvenile participants). However this number may be overlapped by the CCADCP statistics due to CCADCP is a referring facility to Four County Counseling Center.
7. 284 alcohol related arrests were made by the Logansport Police Department (LPD) from Sept 2013- Sept 2014. 11% of those arrests were adolescents. Thus, showing a 16.7% decrease.

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### C. Goals:

1. To decrease the amount of arrests by 5% in the next three years.
  - a. 2013 NEW GOAL: To decrease the amount of arrests by an additional 5% in the next two years.
  - b. 2014 NEW GOAL: To decrease the amount of arrests by an additional 5% in the next year.
2. To increase awareness to both juvenile and adult population by 5% in the next three years as indicated by annual survey done at the county fair.
  - a. 2014 NEW GOAL: To increase awareness to both juvenile and adult population by ANOTHER 5% in the next YEAR.
3. To increase service availability in treatment and prevention services.

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks: (2013)**

1. This goal has been met and exceeded. In 2013 the decrease rate of arrests was by 8.5%. **Raising goal of arrests for the remainder of the Comprehensive Plan to: decreasing the amount of arrests by a total of 12% for the next year.**
2. Made changes to the annual survey to be more precise and using the same questionnaire at all community projects to get a more accurate community view. Continue to provide outreach services to local schools, work places and provide public PSA's by contributing to outside programming (Cass County's YMCA's Healthy Kids' Day)
3. Currently services are available in three sites for the community. However, there are educational services and support groups within the jail program and community corrections. Logansport Memorial hosts a service through New Vision that is a medical stabilization service available for anyone age 18 and older.

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks: (2014)**

1. This goal has been met and exceeded. In 2014 the decrease rate of arrests was by 16.7%. **Raising goal of arrests for the remainder of the Comprehensive Plan to: decreasing the amount of arrests by a total of 17% for the next two years.**
2. According to the annual Perception Survey within the community, there is a rise of awareness of adolescents between the grades of 5- 8 using alcohol by over 7%. Thus, meeting our set goal of 5%. Using this knowledge, **a new goal of raising awareness of adolescents between grades 5-8 to another 5% for the next year.**
3. In addition to the already provided services, Snyder Counseling has broadened its practice to include Outpatient Treatment. Giving the community now a third DMHA certified treatment facility to choose from. Snyder Counseling also offers treatment in both Basic Substance Abuse Ed and Outpatient Treatment in English, Spanish and Karen languages via use of translators.

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**D. Objectives:**

1. Support educational sessions for area parents and youth on the dangers of alcohol use, misuse and abuse.
2. Support evidence-based programming with a focus at reducing alcohol and other drug use and abuse.
3. Help treatment facilities to offer services to those that otherwise can not afford treatment.
4. Help treatment facilities to offer multi-cultural education ie; pamphlets, translator services, any other educational necessity.
5. Provide educational presence and continue annual survey



**End of Year 1 Update: (2013)**

1. Funded \$3,000.00 Have A Healthy Baby Program that addresses use, misuse and abuse while pregnant and is currently in two Cass County High schools and has been in one local middle school. 4H fair booth was approached for information as well as contact information for a Girl Scout troop visit, an educational session is planned for October. Youth Services Alliances offer an after school mentoring program that provides guidance for good judgment including the dangers of substance abuse, use and misuse. Four County Counseling Center, Logansport Police Department and Snyder Counseling (CCADCP) are all available to provide any in-service needed.
2. In addition to the programming mention in #1, the Council has also supported other evidenced based by providing funding to: Have a Healthy Baby program (\$3,000.00) for ATOD teaching expenses, Youth Service Alliance (\$7,750.00) prevention material and teaching expenses, CCADCP (\$1,247.40) and to Four County Counseling Center (\$2,000.00) both for workbook material. Cass/ Pulaski Community Corrections received (\$3,605.00) for ATOD curriculum. CCADCP also received (\$420.00) for required training.
3. Four County Counseling Center (\$4,251.25) and Snyder Counseling (CCADCP) (\$3,251.35) both offer indigent services with the help of the additional funding from the Council. Four County also provides a subsidized program with a sliding fee scale according to household income and supported by the Department of Mental Health.
4. Four County and Snyder Counseling (CCADCP) are both equipt to offer services to the Spanish speaking population. Snyder Counseling is also able to provide services on an as needed basis for the Bermese population. The Council provided funding in the amount of \$3,500.00 to Snyder Counseling to support the interpreter availability.
5. The Partners are annually at the 4H fair extending our services to everyone. The Partners are currently involved with several community affairs such as the annual BOO Fest, Healthy Kids' Day, RX Day and the Red Ribbon Breakfast.

**End of Year 2 Update: (2014)**

1. Continued support to the school programs such as: Have a Healthy Baby (holding classes for 17 Cass county prenatal mothers) and Youth Service Alliance (reaching 67 school aged children in Cass County this year) is being made in financial support as well as peer support. The Have a Healthy Baby representative was contacted to do a summer parenting program as well reaching three fathers and four mothers between the ages of 15 and 20 through the court system. As before, all the organizations involved in the council are willing and anxious to be of assistance for any program facilitation.
2. In addition to the programming mention in #1, the Council has also supported other evidenced based by providing funding to: (as mentioned before) Have a Healthy Baby program (\$2,057.08) for ATOD teaching expenses, Youth Service Alliance (\$4,000.00) prevention material and teaching expenses, Cass/ Pulaski Community Corrections received (\$2,000.00) for ATOD curriculum, giving inmates additional education at no additional cost and includes a licensed social worker to facilitate the curriculum. This class runs twice a week with about 12 inmates in each class showing a total of approximately 72 inmates attending this educational class for a year. CCADCP also received (\$250.79) for required training for the Director, in efforts to continue to



provide service to county residents per Indiana State recommendations.

3. Both Four County (\$4,500.00) and Snyder Counseling Services (\$2,957.08) receive a total of \$7,457.08 to enable the facilities to offer indigent clients a sliding fee schedule due to hardships. Four County has provided treatment thus far to a total of 14 clients and are seeing them two to three times a week for Intensive Outpatient Therapy. Snyder Counseling has served 41 clients in 248 sessions from September 2013 to September 2014.

4. Four County and Snyder Counseling (CCADCP) are both still offering services to the Spanish speaking population. Snyder Counseling is still offering services to the Spanish speaking population as well as the Burmese population. CCADCP has served 16 Spanish speaking clients in 128 sessions and 7 Burmese clients in one all day session (10 hours). CCADCP ran out of supplemental funds and 40 sessions went unfunded. The council has supported Snyder Counseling in this area of expense by subsidizing the interpreter. The 2014 budget has allowed for an appropriation of \$1,500.00 to CCADCP to help continue to provide services for clients in need of an interpreter.

5. Annual participation with the 4H fair, BOO Fest, Healthy Kids' Day, Red Ribbon Week has provided a stage of public awareness outreach for this council to the community. The RX Day has become so successful that more days have been added for public collection sites and additional money has been given towards this event. Funded in 2014 in the amount of \$500.00. 4H fair, Healthy Kids' Day and Boo Fest have been great venues to get the community to participate in community perception surveys and give the council feedback on the concerns of the residents. Red Ribbon Breakfast is a platform used to get not only the elementary school age and their families together for a quick educational awards ceremony to honor the elementary but also middle school aged kids that participated in the essay writing contest and the poster contest. The high school was also incorporated by providing some entertainment with the school mascot and a local high school dance troop. This event serves over 130 in attendance.

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**A. Problem Statement #2:** Cass County continues to have a problem with use of marijuana.

**B. Supportive Data:**

1. 37.81% of the population that participated in a local survey admitted that alcohol was the biggest problem in our county. Making this problem statement a number two perceived concern by community members.
2. 12.48% of 2011 cases were directly related to Marijuana; according to Snyder Counseling / CCADCP.
3. 47.6% of 2011 Marijuana cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to treatment.
4. 52.3% of 2011 cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to a substance abuse education program or abstinence. (This number does not include adolescents)

5. 62.07% of 2011 cases seen by Four County Counseling Center indicate Marijuana use for adults only. However, this number may be overlapped by the CCADCP statistics due to CCADCP is a referring facility to Four County Counseling Center.
6. Of the 238 clients seen indicating Marijuana use, 7% were adolescent participants at Four County Counseling Center.
7. 91 Marijuana related arrests were made by the Logansport Police Department (LPD) from Sept 2011- Sept 2012; this number also includes juvenile offenders.

**End of Year 1 Update: (2013)**

1. 16.87% of the population that participated in the annual survey, stated that marijuana was the third most concern in our community.  
**(Note: there was a drop by 68% in survey participation)**
2. 17.5% of 2012 cases were directly related to Marijuana; according to Snyder Counseling / CCADCP. Showing an increase by 4.57%
3. 56.8% of 2012 Marijuana cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to treatment. Showing a 9.2% increase in cases that meet treatment referral criteria.
4. 33.7% of 2012 cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to a substance abuse education program or abstinence. Showing an 18.6% decrease in cases meeting substance abuse education program criteria or abstinence. Hence, the increase in treatment.
5. 53% of cases seen by Four County Counseling Center (Sept. 2012- Sept. 2013) indicate Marijuana use for adults only. However, this number may be overlapped by the CCADCP statistics due to CCADCP is a referring facility to Four County Counseling Center. This shows a decrease of 9.7% for this one reporting facility. However, this may not be an accurate number due to the recording process used by the agency. Poly substance reports do not allow for a drug break down.
6. Due to the change of reporting within this facility, this number could not be varified.
7. 100 Marijuana related arrests were made by the Logansport Police Department (LPD) from Sept 2012- Sept 2013; this number also includes juvenile offenders. Showing a raise in arrests by 9%.

**End of Year 2 Update: (2014)**

1. 20% of the population that participated in the annual survey, stated that marijuana was the third most concern in our community. Showing a 3.13% increase in awareness.
2. 11% of 2013 cases were directly related to Marijuana; according to Snyder Counseling / CCADCP. Showing a decrease by 6.5%. It is reported by Snyder Counseling that the marijuana offenders tend to do jail time in lieu of participating in the CCADCP program and tracking this event is not track able.
3. This information is no longer available due to a change in record keeping and tracking in the facility.
4. 42.55% of 2013 cases seen by the CCADCP were referred to a substance abuse education program or abstinence. Showing an 8.85% increase in cases meeting substance abuse education program criteria or abstinence.
5. 46.2% of cases seen by Four County Counseling Center (Sept. 2013- Sept. 2014) indicate Marijuana use for adults only. However, this number may be overlapped by the CCADCP statistics due to CCADCP is a referring facility to Four County

- Counseling Center. However, this may not be an accurate number due to the recording process used by the agency. Poly substance reports do not allow for a drug break down. This number shows a decrease by 6.8%.
6. Due to the change of reporting within this facility, this number could not be varified.
  7. 129 Marijuana related arrests were made by the Logansport Police Department (LPD) from Sept 2013- Sept 2014; this number also includes juvenile offenders. Showing a raise in arrests by 29 arrests; a 22% increase in marijuana arrests.

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**C. Goals:**

1. **Reduce use of marijuana by 1% within the next three years and increase awareness.**
2. **Increase number of treatment and prevention services focusing on marijuana and its affects.**
3. **Increase family/parent education on marijuana use.**

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks: (2013)**

1. The council will continue to bring information to the public via outreach projects and trainings for organized programs. The annual survey shows the community sees this as a problem, however, there is still an issue with use in this community.
2. The community has access to multiple facilities for treatment, with the use of the New Vision program via Memorial Hospital. Also, the council is active with the prevention partners and evidence based programming.
3. The council is working with the Cass County YMCA with the Healthy Kids' Day as well as the Red Ribbon Week Breakfast to encourage both child and parent awareness. Also, the Have a Healthy Baby program educates pregnant teens/ new mothers on the dangers of marijuana/smoking. This is a continued event that the council supports. The Partners have made contact with the Girls Scouts and confirmed an educational session for middle school aged girls and their parents/ troop leaders to attend.

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks: (2014)**

1. The partners continue to work towards awareness in the community. As evidenced by the community perception survey that is provided to the public in several venues. The survey still shows a problem in the community as well as a concern among the residents. The council remains available for any trainings or in services; as well as bringing information to the public via outreach projects. According to the reports given by Snyder Counseling as the Cass County Alcohol / Drug Court Program, the amount of the people seen for Marijuana related cases has increased by over 8%. The Logansport Police Department also reports an increase in arrests by 22%. Four County Counseling Center shows a decrease of cases seen related to marijuana use by 6.8%.

2. In addition to last year's report of adding the New Vision program, the community has access to yet another choice in treatment through Snyder Counseling Center opening up their practice to include Outpatient treatment. Giving the community another DMHA certified facility to seek drug/ alcohol treatment. Four County Counseling Center has also been able to place a counselor in all the county high schools, middle schools and a few of the elementary schools. This includes the alternative schooling and diploma recovery and the Family Opportunity Center (F.O.C.).
3. Partners for a Drug Free Cass County continues its work with the community outreach projects such as: Healthy Kids' Day, Red Ribbon Week, Have a Healthy Baby program and the afterschool program with the Youth Services Alliance all providing information and preventative programs and relaying the dangers of drug/ alcohol message. This provides a platform outside the traditional stage of abstinence teaching. There has been an increase in events held for the public to be aware that this service is available; however, in-services outside of the Have a Healthy Baby Program for prenatal/new mothers are not regularly held. The Cass County Girls Scouts have initiated interest in having a family education day, but this has yet to be scheduled as of this date. The Red Ribbon Breakfast remains to be our biggest event for family ATOD education with attendance of over 130 participants. Based on the annual surveys given during the community outreach projects, this is still a community need and concern and remains in the top three substances of concern in our area.

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#### D. Objectives:

1. **Support evidence-based youth prevention program aimed at reducing marijuana use.**
2. **Provide educational events for parents, educators, youth service providers.**
3. **Support community prevention efforts and other environmental strategies to begin changing community norms.**
4. **Provide availability of treatment facility choice**

### End of Year 1 Update: (2013)

1. The council has invested financially in the evidence-based youth prevention programming such as: Have a Healthy Baby (\$3,000.00), Cass County's YMCA Healthy Kids' Day (\$250.00) and Youth Service Alliance (\$7,750.00). Annually the council participates with the Cass County 4H fair for community outreach as well as raising awareness to the attending families.
2. The partners of the councils are all available to give in-services or drug awareness convocations to anyone interested. The LPD continues to progress in this area with talking to kids at schools. The council has recently been contacted and appointment made by a Girl Scout troop for a lesson in drug awareness.

3. As stated before, our council continues to invest in our community. The council provides funding to have an officer for the RDAY (\$400.00) for proper disposal of medications, Red Ribbon Breakfast (\$1,600.00) is an awards breakfast that honors the adolescents that participate in a poster contest and essay contest and involves the high school participation by performing at the breakfast or judging the posters, the community corrections also helps by judging poster entries. Also, this breakfast honors an advocate of the year that is nominated. Healthy Kids' Day (\$250.00), The Boo Fest (\$300.00) an outreach project that focuses on children and parents at Halloween time. Prevention efforts is a continuing effort in all aspects of our work with the community and within our networking partners.
4. The Council sees the importance of the availability to choose a treatment facility. Funding an indigent scholarship fund helps the treatment facilities to make it possible for clients to otherwise not have treatment available. Currently two treatment agencies received financial contributions to the indigent scholarship fund: Four County Counseling (\$4,251.25) and Snyder Counseling (\$3251.35). Also, the council provided funds towards an interpreter for Snyder Counseling (\$3,500.00); this allows the facility to serve clients in his/her native languages. Snyder Counseling is offering services for Spanish, English and Laos. Four County also offers Spanish services as well.

#### **End of Year 2 Update: (2014)**

1. The council has invested financially in the evidence-based youth prevention programming such as: Have a Healthy Baby (\$2,057.08) servicing approximately 12-20 prenatal/ new mothers and fathers in the Cass county schools, Cass County's YMCA Healthy Kids' Day (\$200.00) and was able to reach an approximate of 200 children and their families. The Youth Service Alliance (\$4,000.00) was able to reach a total of 67 students in Cass county schools; this number could have been more, but transportation was an obstacle for the children who could not attend. Annually the council participates with the Cass County 4H fair for community outreach as well as raising awareness to the attending families as well as continue to be available to any organization interested in training; this event has no true count of how many people were reached but during this event we collected 270 surveys. These numbers represent the outreach and educational events the council provides.
2. The partners of the councils are all available to give in-services or drug awareness convocations to anyone interested. The LPD continues to progress in this area with talking to kids at schools. The council continues to provide education to the local girl scouts when called for a troop meeting. This year only one Girl Scout Troop has requested / received education on the dangers of drugs and alcohol used. This troop invited outside families and siblings to sit in on this event and encouraged to ask questions there were approximately 25 people in attendance at this event. The LPD annually participates in the annual law day that reaches over 300 school aged children. No other in services or requests have been made through the council.
3. The council continues to invest financially in the Healthy Kids' Day, Boo Fest, and RX Day (including adding more time for proper / safe medication drop off). Prevention is a big part of our outreach projects and these projects have become an annual endeavor. The result of having the RXDay has brought awareness to the community about the danger of unused medications and provided a way of properly disposing of the medication; this fiscal year over 42 pounds of medication has been collected and disposed



of. The successfulness of the awareness has resulted in the need for more disposal times. Healthy Kids' Day and Boo Fest are two events that puts the partners in placement to be seen and bring information to the children and their parents/ guardians. Placing ourselves in events such as these, gives us the ability to provide more family educational items, reaching approximately a total of over 400 people total; and remain available for further discussion or answer questions; as well as collect more community perception surveys for a more accurate idea of community concern.

4. The importance for the community to have a voice and a choice in their treatment is important to the council. As evidenced by the investment in the indigent funds for Snyder Counseling and Four County Counseling Center. This indigent fund (total of \$7,457.08 between the two facilities) allows clients to make a choice for his / her treatment even if s/he is financially inhibited. Both Four County and Snyder Counseling offer services in the Spanish language. Snyder Counseling receives subsidy for an interpreter from the Council in the amount of \$1,500.00. Snyder Counseling offers treatment for those that speak Spanish, Laos and Karen with the help of the financial investment.

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